

the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

MARKS OF A CHRISTIAN

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem the time of its visitation and comforting, spoken of by Isaiah, is fast approaching. The dawn of the new age is a time of decision and struggle between Jesus and the forces that would hinder and destroy him. As the battle lines are drawn Jesus is not alone and calls on the seventy-two to share in his ministry. They are instructed on how to undertake their missionary activity. It is a ministry in which possibilities and risks stand side by side. The disciples indeed share in Jesus' ministry and power, but they are called to humility and service. Their sharing in the life which Jesus gives is of greater value than their power over demons.

There is no more striking image to convey radical and final change than that of death. To make sure his wavering Christians of Galatia know how they have been radically changed by becoming Christians, Paul speaks of being crucified to the world and the world to him. By this powerful image, he means that we have broken totally with the past through baptism. It is for this reason that Paul sees the argument in Galatia about the need for Christians to follow the Jewish law, and so become circumcised, to be ultimately a fruitless exercise. For Christians, the only real marks worth bearing are those of Jesus, and from this perspective, even the divine command for Jews to be circumcised (cf. Genesis 17:10-14) has been superseded.

Christopher Monaghan CP



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THE SAVING WORD

FIRST READING

Isa 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20. R. v. 1

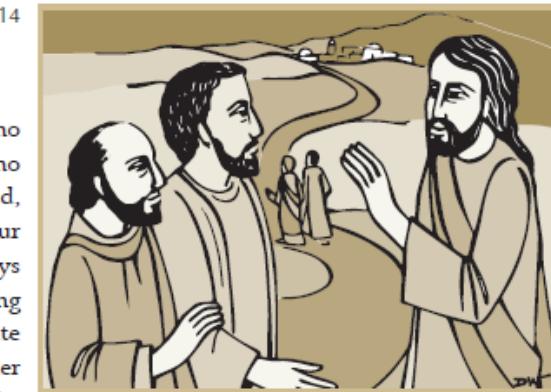
R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, / O sing to the glory of his name. / O render him glorious praise. / Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! R.

2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow, / shall sing to you, sing to your name!' / Come and see the works of God, / tremendous his deeds among men. R.

3. He turned the sea into dry land, / they passed through the river dry-shod. / Let our joy then be in him; / he rules for ever by his might. R.

4. Come and hear, all who fear God. / I will tell what he did for my soul. / Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer / nor withhold his love from me. R.



SECOND READING

Gal 6:14-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Col 3:15,16

Alleluia, alleluia! / May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, / and the fullness of his message live within you. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Your peace will rest upon him.

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all

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WEEKEND MASSES Sat: 5.30pm Sun: 9am and 5.30pm
WEEKDAY MASSES Mon: No Mass Tues: No Mass
Wed: 12 pm Thurs: 9 am
Fri: 9 am Sat: 9 am

CONFESIONS

Sat: 4.30-5.15pm
*Or by appointment

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.
COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in Him.

May God have mercy on all those asked to be remembered in prayer:

Recently Deceased: John Fittler, Molly Miller, Judy McGregor, Vincent O'Shea, Shirley Chandler,
Anniversaries: John Varga (1/6), Pat Smyth (7/6), Grant D'Elboux (21/6), Bridget Teo (29/7).
Deceased: Roy Carpenter, Warwick McKeon, Laurence McDonnell.
Sick: Shirley Collier, Norma O'Brien, Alison and baby Huxley Gallagher, Sr Rita Vella, Barbara Brennan, Peter Richards, Colin MacPherson, Kevin Bonner, Lisa Foster, Kate Harrison, Maureen Harrison, Deacon Peter Harrison, Margaret Marshall, Graeme Bussell, Fr Bernie Flood.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday falls today, the first Sunday in July. Whilst providing us with an opportunity to acknowledge our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander brothers and sisters, the celebration also signifies that we are united as one in God's love and care.



Source: nastic

Did you know? There are 133,528 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics? There are 16 Dioceses which have over one-fifth of their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population who identify as Catholic?

COMING EVENTS:

2 July: Welcome home Fr Anthony
3 July Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday
Peter's Pence Collection

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BSB 082105 1st Coll: Presbytery Acc 001023642
2nd Coll: St Patricks Church Acc 001041198

"Quiet, calm courage and humble confidence in God will be much required by you." (1868)



NSW STATE COVID RULES: * FACE MASKS ARE NOT COMPULSORY BUT RECOMMENDED
* SANITISE HANDS ON ENTERING. * NO CHECK IN REQUIRED

WELCOME: We welcome home, with open arms, Fr Anthony. How wonderful to have him back. We are so very grateful to Fr Michael Alcock for his supply for us during Fr Anthony's absence.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: The Special Holy Fathers collection will occur this weekend being the Sunday near to the feasts of Sts Peter and Paul. This collection is not tax deductible.

FRASSATI SOCIETY FOR YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS: (16 to 39yrs) meets to pray together every Wednesday at 7.30pm via zoom. Please contact Tammy on 0459784171 for information.

PLENARY COUNCIL IN PRAYER: 3 to 9 July Plenary Council Second Assembly. Catholics across the country are being invited to participate in a new prayer pilgrimage as the Church journeys towards the second assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. The "Walking in the Spirit" pilgrimage has been prepared to encourage individuals, families, parishes, schools and other ministries to keep the Plenary Council in their prayers. The prayer pilgrimage will lead up to the opening of the second and final assembly this Sunday 3 July. You may access resources at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit/>

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST: The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. **More information and Applications Forms** are available on our website

<https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

Closing Date 29 July 2022

AN INVITATION TO CELEBRATE: Fr Bernard Flood and Fr Ron Perrett celebrate their 60th Ordination Anniversaries to the priesthood on 24 July 2022. Everyone is invited to join together for this milestone celebration, beginning with a concelebrated Mass at St Michael's Church Dungowan at 10.00 am, followed by morning tea in the church grounds. A two-course meal at Carmen's Restaurant from 12.15 pm (cost \$30) will continue the celebrations for those who wish to attend all, or only the lunch celebration. RSVP Di Brown 0419296627, or Pam Crayn 407013904 by 10 July if you are able to attend. Details on noticeboard.

WEEK 2 ROSTER: 3/7/22

Vigil: R. Sr Kathryn, N Pullman
9am Sun: R. R Paull, O Monet
5.30pm Sun: R. M and J Murray
Counting Team S Brown, A Bowden
Sat Cleaning 9/7 M Vella, R Pace
Altar Linen B Flood

WEEK 3 ROSTER: 10/7/22

Vigil: R.Sr Kathryn D Bolitho
9am Sun: R. M Holley A Sartori
5.30pm Sun: R. D Bearman J Murray
Counting Team O and J Whale; A Bowden
Sat Cleaning: 16/7 S Brown, V Griffiths
Altar Linen: E Smyth

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and care for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

